

1 **R277. Education, Administration.**

2 **R277-502. Educator Licensing and Data Retention.**

3 **R277-502-4. License Levels, Procedures, and Periods of**
4 **Validity.**

5 A. An initial license, the Level 1 license, is issued to
6 an individual who is recommended by a Board-approved educator
7 preparation program or approved alternative preparation
8 program, or an educator with a professional educator license
9 from another state.

10 (1) LEAs and educator preparation institutions shall
11 cooperate in preparing candidates for the educator Level 1
12 license. The resources of both may be used to assist
13 candidates in preparation for licensing.

14 (2) The recommendation indicates that the individual has
15 satisfactorily completed the programs of study required for
16 the preparation of educators and has met licensing standards
17 in the license areas of concentration for which the individual
18 is recommended.

19 (3) The Level 1 license is issued for three years.

20 (4) An educator shall satisfy all requirements of R277-
21 522, Entry Years Enhancements (EYE) for Quality Teaching -
22 Level 1 Utah Teachers.

23 (5) An educator shall satisfy all federal requirements
24 for an educator license prior to moving from Level 1 to Level
25 2.

26 (6) A license applicant who has received or completed
27 license preparation activities or coursework inconsistent with
28 this rule may present compelling information and documentation
29 for review and approval by the USOE to satisfy the licensing
30 requirements.

31 B. A Level 2 license may be issued by the Board to a
32 Level 1 license holder upon satisfaction of all USOE
33 requirements for the Level 2 license and upon the
34 recommendation of the employing LEA.

35 (1) The recommendation shall be made following the
36 completion of three years of successful, professional growth
37 and educator experience, satisfaction of R277-522, Entry Years

Enhancements (EYE) for Quality Teaching - Level 1 Utah Teachers, any additional requirements imposed by the employing LEA, and before the Level 1 license expires.

(2) A Level 2 license shall be issued for five years and shall be valid unless suspended or revoked for cause by the Board.

(3) The Level 2 license may be renewed for successive five year periods consistent with R277-501, Educator Licensing Renewal.

(4) A Level 2 license holder shall satisfy all federal requirements for an educator license holder prior to renewal after June 30, 2006 to remain highly qualified.

C. A Level 3 license may be issued by the Board to a Level 2 license holder who has achieved National Board Professional Teaching Standards Certification~~[7]~~ or who holds a current Certificate of Clinical Competence from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA), or who holds a doctorate in the educator's field of practice.

(1) A Level 3 license is valid for seven years unless suspended or revoked for cause by the Board.

(2) The Level 3 license may be renewed for successive seven year periods consistent with R277-501.

(3) A Level 3 license may be renewed if the holder maintains National Board Professional Teaching Standards Certification status or maintains a current Certificate of Clinical Competence from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association.

D. Licenses expire on June 30 of the year of expiration recorded on CACTUS and may be renewed any time after January of that year. Responsibility for securing renewal of the license rests solely with the holder.

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